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Informational Article: "Mary Mallon's Trail of Typhoid" by Catherine Carey/ FDA  
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\*This is an article that demonstrates cause and effect. To appreciate the impact of an event or action, look beyond the individual event itself. Try to see how it relates to events that come before or after it. Often these events have a cause-and-effect relationship; that is, one event directly causes the other. Being aware of this can lead to new insights about what you are reading.

1. A \_\_\_\_\_ is an event or action that directly results in another event.

2. An \_\_\_\_\_ is the direct outcome of an event or action.

3. Which words indicate an effect? Circle the correct words.

because            led to            as a result            due to  
since            consequently            therefore

4. Which words indicate a cause? Circle the correct words.

because            led to            as a result            due to  
since            consequently            therefore

5. What century did the "Typhoid Mary" epidemic hit the United States?

a. 18th century            b. 19th century            c. 20th century            d. 21st century

6. Early symptoms of typhoid include the following EXCEPT:

- a. headaches and fever
- b. general aches and restlessness
- c. coughing and nosebleeds
- d. constipation and chills

7. Because Mary Mallon had had typhoid, what were the effects of this disease on her?

- a. She became sick with headaches, restlessness, and other symptoms.
- b. She never displayed any symptoms and carried the disease for a few months.
- c. She never displayed any symptoms and carried the disease for years.
- d. She never displayed any symptoms and was not a carrier.

8. Since George Soper had a suspicion that Mary had typhoid, what was the effect of his suspicion?

- a. Mary hit him over the head with a rolling pin when he accused her of having typhoid.
- b. Mary became scared, and she left New York's Oyster Bay.
- c. Mary threaten him with a rolling pin, and eventually disappeared from New York's Oyster Bay.
- d. Mary sued George Soper for accusing her of carrying typhoid.

9. Due to the fact that Mary was "a living culture tube" of typhoid bacteria, what effect did this have on her life?

- a. She went to U.S. Supreme Court and fought for her rights to not be placed in isolation.



